

D.O. 774

10th February 1922.

Dear Mr. Gamlen,

I am taking an early opportunity of writing to tell you that I have read the note, which you kindly gave me on the Future of the Mint Workshop, with the greatest interest. Your suggestions seem to me to be eminently wise and practicable, if I may presume to say so. I had sent your note to our Director of Industries. It may perhaps interest you to know what he says in regard to it.-

" I enclose herewith, for your kind perusal, my own note on the subject. You will see that there is considerable similarity in the proposals.

"We are both agreed that in order to be a success the workshop should carry out the work of all the Departments, that it should undertake general commercial engineering and manufacturing and serve as a training ground for persons engaged in the handling of the machinery. The other two points are that the workshop having been expanded from time to time without reference to a definite plan it should be allowed to make a fresh commercial start with a reduced capital based on the present valuation and that the complicated financial rules regarding purchases should be modified, the Managing Director being given full authority in the matter of purchases."

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

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